

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Behavioral Health	(2) MEETING DATE 10/7/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Cindy Collins – Administrative Services Manager 788-2932	
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve a FY 2014-15 renewal contract with San Luis Obispo Child Development Center, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to provide mental health services to Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (SED) youth. All Districts.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board approve and direct Chairperson to sign a renewal contract with San Luis Obispo Child Development Center, Inc. for FY 2014-15 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to provide mental health services to Medi-Cal eligible children.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Medi-Cal, EPSDT, Realignment.	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$50,000.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$50,000.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ____ ) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ____ )			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) 19001464		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? N/A	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date: <u>  9-10-13  </u> Item # <u>  6  </u>	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW  Reviewed by Leslie Brown			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts			

# County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeff Hamm, Health Agency Director  
Anne Robin, MFT, Behavioral Health Administrator

DATE: 10/7/2014

SUBJECT: Request to approve a FY 2014-15 renewal contract with San Luis Obispo Child Development Center, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to provide mental health services to Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (SED) youth. All Districts.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board approve and direct Chairperson to sign a renewal contract with San Luis Obispo Child Development Center, Inc. for FY 2014-15 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to provide mental health services to Medi-Cal eligible children.

## **DISCUSSION**

The San Luis Obispo Child Development Center, Inc. is a child abuse prevention and intervention program for children and their families that is dedicated to breaking the cycle of child abuse by providing a network of prevention, intervention, and treatment services to protect children while helping to heal, strengthen, and support families. In 2012 their business name changed to Child Development Resource Center (CDRC) as their efforts expanded to include preschool services in addition to child development and therapy services. CDRC's mental health services component includes assessments, plan development, individual and group therapy, individual rehabilitation, consultations with significant support persons, and case management. CDRC provides services to SED children between the ages of two and ten years who are experiencing developmental delays and behavioral problems. The program offers therapeutic and behavioral intervention and feedback to improve the child's functioning in a variety of settings, including pre-school, school, family, and other social settings. CDRC staff can request that County Managed Care authorize a referral for a mental health assessment of a Medi-Cal beneficiary child in their care to determine medical necessity for the County funded program. Client referrals can also be made by County Behavioral Health staff to CDRC.

Currently, 65 children at CDRC are Medi-Cal eligible and it is estimated that 20 of those children meet medical necessity to receive mental health services through the County funded program. The County can bill these services under the Medi-Cal program for Federal and State revenues to recover 91% of the cost of the services provided.

In FY 2014-15, CDRC plans to provide Medi-Cal eligible mental health services to 20 children. These service levels vary based on medical necessity and Medi-Cal eligibility. It is estimated that services provided in FY 2014-15 will be at approximately the same level as in FY 2013-14.

This contract contains a provision that authorizes the Health Agency Director to have the option to renew the contract at his discretion for a single one-year extension without additional approval of the Board of Supervisors. The contract renewal must be in writing and at the same funded amount for the current year, unless the Health Agency Director agrees to a rate change that falls within the change order limits of the County's Contracting for Services Policy.

## **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

County Counsel has reviewed the contract as to form and legal effect.

## **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Behavioral Health's FY 2014-15 adopted budget includes \$50,000 for the CDRC contract, which is projected to provide services to 20 unique children. Medi-Cal and EPSDT revenue are billed to cover approximately 91% of the service cost. Realignment pays the local match requirement, which is 9% of the amount billed to Medi-Cal and EPSDT. Of the \$50,000 contract amount, \$45,500 is recoverable from Medi-Cal and EPSDT and the remaining \$4,500 is funded with realignment dollars.

## **RESULTS**

Developmental goals are established by the California Department of Education. The program is designed to improve a child's functioning and prepare him/her for success in a public school setting. Broad categories include developing personal and social competence as well as physical and motor competence. Program goals include assisting children to become effective learners and to lead safe, healthy lives. These broader goals are divided into multiple measurement categories and individualized to meet each child's needs.

During FY 2013-14, an average of 17 children per month were provided with mental health services for SED youth through the County funded program. \$44,242.49 was expended on this year's CDRC contract.

The FY 2014-15 budgeted service level and performance measures represent minimum expectations negotiated with the contractor. These anticipated performance measures are based on the cohesive, ongoing therapeutic and case management services provided daily to at-risk children and families. With parental support and family collaboration, more families will remain intact and children will avoid psychiatric hospitalization. Behavioral Health staff and CDRC will be assessing appropriate performance measures during the year to determine if more meaningful data can be collected and reported in the future, as well as which measurable outcomes to include in future contracts for specialty mental health services for youth.

The following table shows intended program results.

Year	2012-13 Actual	2013-14 Budgeted	2013-14 Actual	2014-15 Budgeted
Percent of children served who will avoid acute psychiatric hospitalization	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of children out of 20 served who will avoid acute psychiatric hospitalization	20/20	20/20	20/20	20/20
Percent of children served who will avoid placement in foster or group home	100%	95%	95%	95%
Number of children out of 20 served who will avoid placement in foster or group	20/20	19/20	19/20	19/20

CDRC's child abuse prevention and intervention programs provide a much-needed service to children and families in the community. These mental health services are part of a larger continuum of care to improve the quality of life of those served, and thus contribute to department and County goals to provide a healthy, safe environment for residents in our community.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – SLO Child Development Center Renewal Contract FY 2014-15

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